

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are all the claims pending in the application. By this Amendment, Applicant is amending claims 1 and 16. No new matter is added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 11 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 15-20 are allowed.

Art Rejections

1. Claims 1, 4-10 and 12-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Sanchez (US 2003/0168476).
2. Claims 1-10 and 12-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by McKinney (US 4,257,561).

In the Advisory Action of May 21, 2010, the Examiner states that “Applicant's arguments are far narrower than the claim language.” While Applicant maintains the express and plain meaning of claim language in which ***outlet end defines*** a dispenser orifice precludes the outlet ***end*** from being considered a channel, Applicant is amending claim 1 to further recite that the closure member closes the dispenser orifice in a plane at the outlet end containing the dispensing orifice so as to physically plug the outlet end. Applicant maintains the documents relied upon by the Examiner to reject the claims do not disclose or render obvious this feature in combination with the other claimed features for at least the reasons already made of record by Applicant.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)
U.S. Application No.: 10/563,558

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In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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